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Examiner: B. H. Thomas

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In re Patent Application of:

Toshiyuki Nagase et al.

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For: AI/AIN JOINT MATERIAL, BASE PLATE

FOR POWER MODULE, POWER MODULE,

AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF

AI/AIN JOINT MATERIAL

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed May 5, 2008 (Paper No. 20080421), Applicants hereby provisionally elect claims 1-4, 15 and 16 for continued examination, with traverse.

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RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Examiner has required restriction between the following two Groups:

Group I:

Claims 1-4, 15 and 16, drawn to a base plate for a

power module; and

Group II:

Claims 5-14, drawn to an AI/AIN joint material.

In response, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-4, 15 and 16, drawn to a base plate for a power module with traverse.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above remarks, withdrawal of this Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested.

An early examination is respectfully requested.

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